

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE APPLICATION OF SOUTHEAST DAVIESS)	
COUNTY WATER DISTRICT FOR APPROVAL TO)	
CONSTRUCT A PROPOSED WATER STORAGE TANK)	CASE NO. 91-110
AND CONNECTOR WATER LINE)	

O R D E R

IT IS ORDERED that Southeast Daviess County Water District ("Southeast Daviess") shall file an original and 10 copies (two copies of engineering-related materials) of the following information with the Commission, with a copy to all parties of record by June 15, 1991. If the information cannot be provided by this date, Southeast Daviess should submit a motion for an extension of time stating the reason a delay is necessary and include a date by which it will be furnished. Such motion will be considered by the Commission. Southeast Daviess shall furnish with each response the name of the witness who will be available at the public hearing for responding to questions concerning each item of information requested.

1. Provide a copy of the input data used in the computer-generated hydraulic analyses filed in this case on an IBM compatible 5 1/4-inch floppy disk.

2. Provide hydraulic analyses, supported by computations and actual field measurements, of typical operational sequences of the existing water distribution system as presently configured and

operated. These hydraulic analyses shall demonstrate the operation of all pump stations and the "empty-fill" cycle of all water storage tanks. Computations shall be documented by a labeled schematic map of the system that shows pipeline sizes, lengths, connections, pumps, water storage tanks, wells, and sea level elevations of key points, as well as allocations of actual customer demands. Flows used in the analyses shall be identified as to whether they are based on average instantaneous flows, peak instantaneous flows, or any combination or variation thereof. The flows used in the analyses shall be documented by actual field measurements and customer use records. Justify fully any assumptions used in the analyses. These analyses shall use the same schematic as the analyses of the proposed water distribution system to facilitate comparison.

3. Provide a summary of any operational deficiencies of the existing water system that are indicated by the hydraulic analyses or that are known from experience.

4. Provide hydraulic analyses, supported by computations and actual field measurements, of typical operational sequences of the proposed water distribution system. These hydraulic analyses shall demonstrate the operation of all pump stations and the "empty-fill" cycle of all water storage tanks. Computations shall be documented by a labeled schematic map of the system that shows pipeline sizes, lengths, connections, pumps, water storage tanks, wells, and sea level elevations of key points, as well as allocations of actual customer demands. Flows used in the analyses shall be identified as to whether they are based on

average instantaneous flows, peak instantaneous flows, or any combination or variation thereof. The flows used in the analyses shall be documented by actual field measurements and customer use records. Justify fully any assumptions used in the analyses. These analyses shall use the same schematic as the analyses of the existing water distribution system to facilitate comparison.

5. In order to obtain realistic results when utilizing computer hydraulic analyses to predict a water distribution system's performance, engineering references stress the importance of calibrating the results predicted to actual hydraulic conditions. This calibration process should include matching field measurements to the results predicted by the computer over a wide range of actual operating conditions. At a minimum this should include average and maximum water consumption periods, as well as "fire flow" situations and very high demand periods.

Based on the above, explain the procedures used to verify the computer hydraulic analyses filed in this case. This explanation shall be documented by field measurements, hydraulic calculations, etc.

6. Most engineering references state that instantaneous customer demands can peak at 3 to 15 times the 24-hour average demand. In addition, most engineering references also state that a water distribution system should be designed to meet at least the maximum hourly demand of its customers.

a. State what measurements were made of Southeast Daviess' maximum hourly usage. If the maximum hourly usage was not measured directly, state why it was not.

b. State how the diurnal pattern for Southeast Daviess' system was determined. Detail how the diurnal demand multipliers for the computer model were determined. This response shall be documented by appropriate field measurements.

7. Provide a pressure recording chart showing the actual 24-hour continuously measured pressure available at the locations listed below on Southeast Daviess' system. Identify the 24-hour period recorded, the exact location of the pressure recorder, and the sea level elevation of the recorder. Also state the schematic junction number nearest the location of the pressure recorder.

a. In the vicinity of the proposed tank site.

b. On the suction and discharge sides of all pump stations.

c. At or near all existing tank sites.

8. Provide a list of Southeast Daviess' water storage tanks. Give the location, capacity, and overflow elevation of each tank. Explain how water is supplied to each tank.

9. Provide a list of Southeast Daviess' existing pump stations. Give the location, number of pumps and their rated capacities, and the purpose of each pump station. Explain how the operation of each pump station is controlled. Provide a copy of the pump manufacturer's characteristic (head/capacity) curve for

each of Southeast Daviess's existing pumps. Identify each curve as to the particular pump and pump station to which it applies. Also state if pump is in use, will remain in use, will be abandoned, or will be replaced.

10. Provide the criteria used in determining the location, size, overflow elevation, and head range for the proposed water storage tanks. State what other sites were considered and why they were not selected. Provide, in detail, the engineering and economic rationale for placing two water storage tanks on the same site rather than at different sites.

11. Provide a narrative description of the proposed daily operational sequences of the water system. Documentation shall include the methods and mechanisms proposed to provide positive control of all storage tank water levels. This description shall also include an hourly summary of how all tanks (existing and proposed) will "work" (expected inflow or outflow of water) and how all pumps will function and shall be fully supported by appropriate field measurements and hydraulic calculations.

12. The computer hydraulic analyses report filed in this case for the proposed water distribution system indicates that the potential exists for the system to experience high pressure (more than 150 psig) in the Philpot pump station area. Pressures at this level are in violation of Commission regulation 807 KAR 5:066, Section 6 (1). Provide details of any preventive measures or additional construction which Southeast Daviess intends to

perform to protect against this type of occurrence. Details should be documented by hydraulic analyses and field measurements.

13. The computer hydraulic analyses report filed in this case for the proposed water distribution system indicates that the potential exists for the system to experience low pressure (less than 30 psig) in the Habit tank area. Pressures at this level are in violation of Commission regulation 807 KAR 5:066, Section 6 (1). Provide details of any preventive measures or additional construction which Southeast Daviess intends to perform to protect against this type of occurrence. Details shall be documented by hydraulic analyses and field measurements.

14. Provide a copy of the Preliminary Engineering Report.

15. Provide a highway map at a scale of at least one inch equals two miles marked to show Southeast Daviess' water distribution system. The map of the system shall show pipeline sizes, location, and connections as well as pumps, water storage tanks, and sea level elevations of key points.

16. Provide a copy of the Bid Tabulation when the bids are received.

17. Provide a copy of the final summation of the total cost of construction and funding arrangements referred to as the Final Engineering Report.

18. KRS 322.340 states "Plans, specifications, plats and reports approved by a registrant shall be signed and dated by the registrant and stamped with the seal when filed with public authorities." The plans and specifications filed in this case do not comply with this statute.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 15th day of May, 1991.

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For the Commission

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Executive Director